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Mr. Karl M. Jakob, 412 West White Street, Chanmpaign, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Jakob,

Thank you for your letter indicating your interest in our work. I regret that I must reply with the information that the assistantship is no longer available. However, with your excellent graduate record to date at Illinois, I am sure that you will find satisfactory alternatives. When you bring your work on microorganisms to fruition, I would be interested to receive a reprint.

Yours sincerely,

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